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By

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	)	Examiner: H. Joyce
Willibald Kraus	)	
	)	Art Unit: 3744
Serial No.: 08/230,083	)	
	)	
Filed: April 20, 1994	)	
	)	
For: <b>CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY</b>	)	
<b>(as amended)</b>	)	
	)	
Date of Last Office Action:	)	
December 3, 1998	)	
	)	
Attorney Docket No.:	)	
TRW 2 136-4	)	

Cleveland, Ohio 44114-2518  
June 3, 1999

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The initial period for response to the outstanding Official Action, mailed December 3, 1998 expired on March 3, 1999.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136 petition is hereby made for a 3-month extension of time up to and including June 3, 1999 in which to respond to the Official Action. A check in the amount of \$870.00

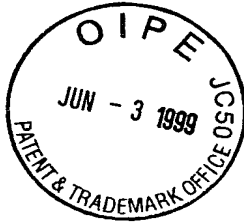
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for the extension fee is enclosed herewith.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

FAY, SHARPE, BEALL,  
FAGAN, MINNICH & McKEE, LLP

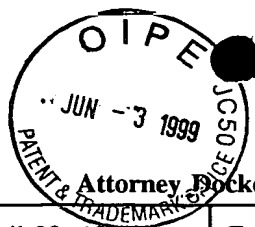


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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER



Attorney Docket No.: TRW 2 136-4

Serial No.: 08/230,083	Filing Date: April 20, 1994	Examiner: H. Joyce
Group Art Unit: 3744	Invention: CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY (as amended)	

To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
The fees have been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	15	Minus	20	-0- x	[18] [9]	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	5	Minus	5	-0- x	[78] [39]	\$ 0.00

xx No additional claim fees are required.

     Please charge Deposit Account No 06-0308 in the amount of \$         .

xx Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and request a 5 month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A check in the amount of \$870.00 is attached.

xx Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and request any additional extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the extension of time fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

xx Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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